

Grand Prairie

— T E X A S —

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2014



Funderful at Traders Village

Photo by Clay Hayner



Dream Big Play Hard

What a great first year as Mayor I've had and I'm so pleased to continue the Calendar Photo Contest tradition into 2014, which promises to be another great year for Grand Prairie.

Here's just a sneak peek:

- Open new Dalworth Recreation Center
- Begin construction of The Lodge and Camp Store at Loyd Park
- Launch a Get Fit Grand Prairie initiative for citizens
- Start building the Gas-To-Energy station at the Landfill
- Open the new Fire Station #1 downtown
- Break ground on a clinic at Prairie Paws Animal Shelter
- Open Lake Ridge Parkway fully from I-20 to Great Southwest Parkway



Mayor Ron Jensen with Grand Prairie First Lady Rebecca Jensen and Family



We mourn the loss of Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Ruthe Jackson and Councilman Bill Thorn, who both passed in August 2013, both leaving a legacy of service, commitment and dedication that forever changed Grand Prairie.

Thank you for all you do to help make our city great. Don't forget...be Prairie Proud!

Sincerely,

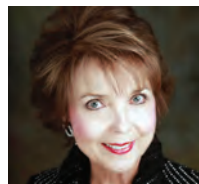


Ron Jensen, Mayor



Serving 24/7 Grand Prairie Police and Fire Photo by Patrick Greenwade

Grand Prairie City Council



Jorja Clemson Place 1



Jim Swafford Place 2



Richard Fregoe Place 4 Deputy Mayor Pro Tem



Tony Shotwell Place 5



Jeff Wooldridge Place 6



Greg Giessner At Large Mayor Pro Tem



Jeff Copeland At Large

As the calendar went to press, the new Council member for Place 3 was pending a run-off election.



City Manager's Office

Tom Hart, City Manager



Tom Cox
Deputy
City Manager



Anna Doll
Deputy
City Manager



Andrew
White
Assistant to the
City Manager

We remember Mrs. Ruthe and Bill.



2013 Top Ten Accomplishments

- ★ Opened all SH 161 access and frontage roads from I-30 to I-20
- ★ Opened the new Dallas County Sub-Courthouse
- ★ Voters approved the ¼ cent sales tax for street improvements
- ★ Voters approved the ¼ cent crime control sales tax for police officers
- ★ Broke ground on a new Fire Station #1
- ★ Launched the Waggin' Wagon mobile pet adoption trailer
- ★ Began driving on the wider and straighter Hunter Ferrell Road
- ★ Connected Sara Jane to Forum, creating a shortcut to the Premium Outlet Mall
- ★ Opened the new air traffic control tower at the Grand Prairie Municipal Airport



Play day at Friendship Park
Photo by Maureen Cook



Fabulous fall colors Photo by Mayra Barra



My favorite breed is rescued
from Prairie Paws Animal Shelter
by Jerry McKay

January 2014

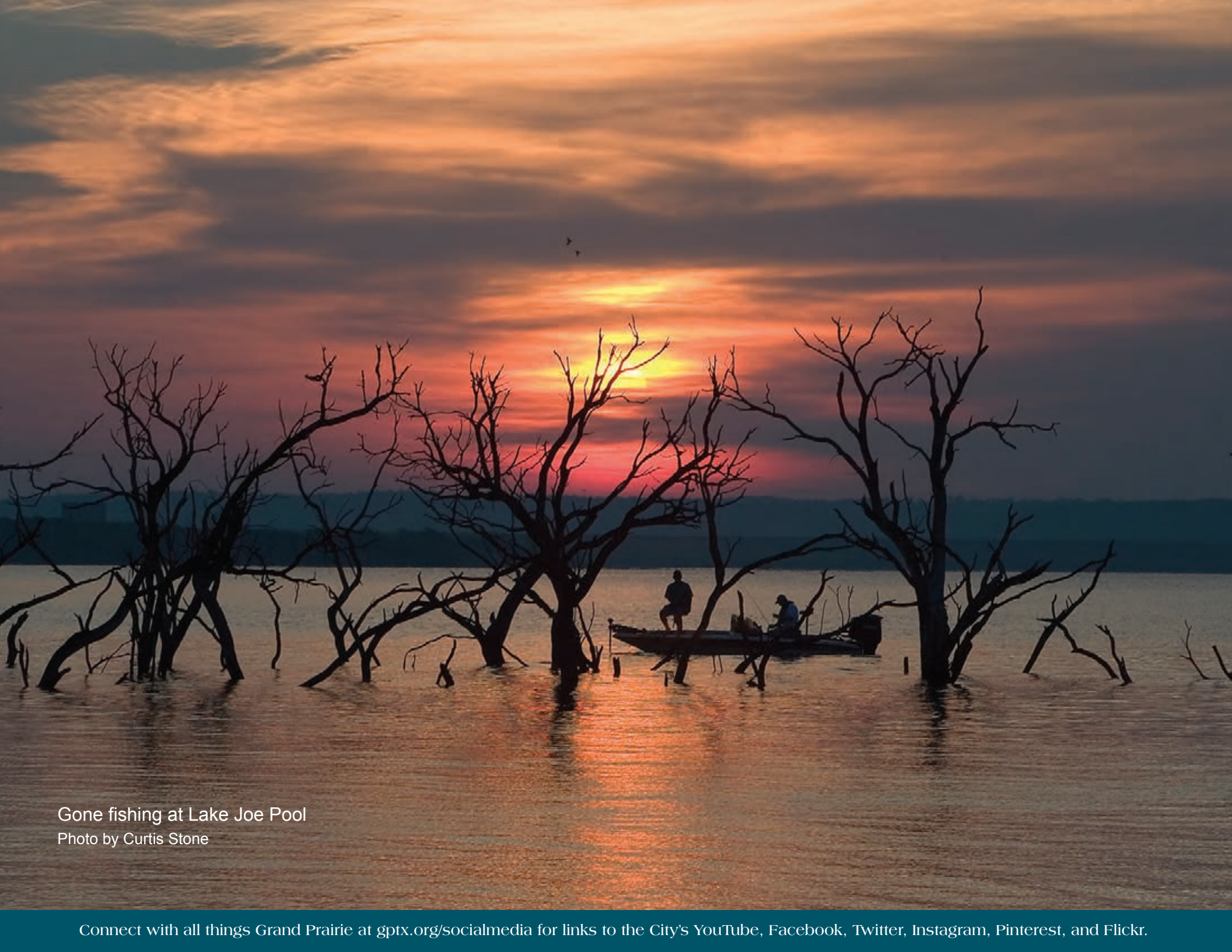
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Get out, get active Grand Prairie Photo by Brandon Huether</p> 			<p>1 New Year's Day ← GPISD Student Holiday City Offices Closed →</p>	2	3	4
5	<p>6 Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.</p>	<p>7 City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.</p>	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	<p>20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day City Offices Closed School Holiday</p>	<p>21 City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.</p>	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	



A Summit sunset
Photo by Rendi Hahn

February 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		 <p>SWAT tough Photo by Whitney Fowler</p>				1
2	3 Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	4 City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14 Valentine's Day	15
16	17 AISD, CHISD, MISD Presidents' Day Holiday	18 City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	



Gone fishing at Lake Joe Pool
Photo by Curtis Stone

March 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					Watching for Purple Martins at Kirby Creek Nature Center Photo by Steve Adams	1 Farmers Market Opens
2	3 Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	4 City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	5	6	7	8
9 Daylight-Saving Time Begins Spring Forward	10 ←	11 School Spring Break	12 →	13	14	15
16	17	18 City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

Bluebonnets and beauties
Photo by Crystal Ziegler



April 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	2	3	4	5
6	7 Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	16	17	18 Student Holiday	19 Eggstravaganza
20 Easter	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			Yummy fruits and veggies at Farmers Market Photo by Clay Hayner



Open roads: I-30 and SH 161 interchange
Photo provided by NTTA

May 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<p>Fire boat Photo by Derek Townsend</p>		1	2	3	<p>Cinco de Mayo Celebration</p>
4	<p>Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.</p>	<p>6</p> <p>City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.</p>	7	8	9	<p>10</p> <p>City Election Day</p>
<p>11</p> <p>Mother's Day</p>	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	<p>20</p> <p>City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.</p>	21	22	23	24
25	<p>26</p> <p>Memorial Day City Offices Closed</p> <hr/> <p>School Holiday</p>	27	28	29	30	31

Uptown Theater shows tower over Main Street
Photo by Steve Errisuriz



June 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	3 City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	4 GPISD, AISD Last Day of School	5 MISD Last Day of School	6 CHISD Last Day of School	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 Father's Day	16	17 City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	Summer fun Photo by Bill Hills				

GPPD honors our country
Photo by Whitney Fowler



July 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4 Lone Stars & Stripes Fireworks Lone Star Park <hr/> Independence Day City Offices Closed	5
6	7 Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	U.S.A. Photo by Ananka Allen	



Float your boat
Photo by Nichole Schmiedeskamp

August 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<p>Go Team! Photo by Lisa Barnes</p>	1	2
3	<p>4</p> <p>Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.</p>	<p>5</p> <p>City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.</p>	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	<p>19</p> <p>City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.</p>	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

Flight of the Monarchs
Photo by Mike Lamb



September 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Labor Day City Offices Closed School Holiday	2 City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	3	4	5	6
	7	8 Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	9	10	11	12
14	15	16 City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30			Flutter By Photo by Caron Spears	



Baby hawk
Photo by Tom Cox

October 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Fall magic Photo by Carlos Ramirez</p> 			1	2	3	4
5	<p>6</p> <p>Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.</p>	7	8	9	10	11
12	<p>13</p> <p>Columbus Day</p>	<p>14</p> <p>City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.</p>	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	<p>31</p> <p>BOO! Halloween</p>	



Sunny side up at Grand Prairie Airport
Photo by Jim Holland

November 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				Take flight Photo by Sara Miller		1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Daylight-Saving Time Ends - Fall Back	Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.				
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
		Veterans Day				
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.				
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30				Prairie Lights Opens <hr/> Thanksgiving Holiday City Offices Closed	City Offices Closed	



Prairie Lights driving wonder
Photo by Mark Bumgarner

December 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6 Holiday Market at Farmers Market
	7	8 Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting 7 p.m.	9 City Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.	10	11	12
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 Holiday Market at Farmers Market
21	22	23	24	25	26	
	← School Holiday →		Christmas Eve City Offices Closed	Christmas Day City Offices Closed		
28	29	30	31			Night before Christmas Photo by Patricia Delgado
	← School Holiday →		New Year's Eve			



Pot of Gold
Photo by Keith Fletcher

Play ball!
Photo by Brad Barton



Helpful Numbers

Airport (Grand Prairie Municipal)	972-237-7591
Animal Services	972-237-8575
Birth Certificates - Dallas County	214-875-2100
Birth Certificates - Tarrant County	817-871-7399
Building Inspections	972-237-8230
Car Tags - Dallas County	214-653-7811
Car Tags - Tarrant County	817-884-1100
Chamber of Commerce	972-264-1558
City Council and Mayor	972-237-8022
City Manager's Office	972-237-8012
City Secretary	972-237-8035
Code Enforcement	972-237-8296
Communications and Marketing	972-237-8086
Drivers License	972-264-6598
Economic Development	972-237-8160
Engineering	972-237-8141
Environmental Services	972-237-8055
Fire (911 for emergencies)	972-237-8300
Graffiti Hotline	972-237-8599
Grand Prairie Memorial Gardens	972-237-3001
Health Clinic	214-819-2000
Housing & Neighborhood Services	972-237-8176
Human Resources	972-237-8192
Illegal Dumping	972-237-8064
Information Technology	972-237-8382
Keep Grand Prairie Beautiful	972-237-8152
Landfill	972-237-4550
Lake Parks	817-467-2104
Libraries	
Grand Prairie Library	972-237-5700
Betty Warmack Branch	972-237-5770
Shotwell Branch	972-237-7540

Marriage License - Dallas County	214-653-7559
Marriage License - Tarrant County	817-548-3928
Municipal Court	972-237-8600
Parks & Recreation	972-237-8100
Planning	972-237-8255
Police (911 for emergencies)	972-237-8790
Public Works	972-237-8154
Purchasing	972-237-8269
Recycling	972-237-8061
Ruthe Jackson Center	972-237-7500
Schools	
Grand Prairie ISD	972-264-6141
Arlington ISD	682-867-4611
Mansfield ISD	817-299-6300
Cedar Hill ISD	972-291-1581
Social Security	1-800-772-1213
Solid Waste	972-237-8151
Streets	972-237-8525
Taxes - Dallas County	214-653-7811
Taxes - Tarrant County	817-884-1194
Tourism	972-595-5400
Transit - The Grand Connection	972-237-8546
Transportation	972-237-8139
Water Bills	972-237-8200
Water/Wastewater	972-237-8413



Monday morning at Mike Lewis Park Photo by George Fowler

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Spirit of Grand Prairie
Photo by Jorja Clemson